

Paragraph beginning at line 5 on page 1 has been amended as follows:

A2 The present invention relates to a screw cap made of a plastic material for screwing onto a thread on a neck of a bottle.

Before the paragraph beginning at line 19 of page 2, insert the following:

A3 BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Paragraph beginning at line 23 on page 2 has been amended as follows:

A4 This object is solved by means of a screw cap having the features as described in the claims. Further advantageous configurations of the invention are defined in the depending claims.

Before the paragraph beginning at line 15 of page 3 insert the following:

A5 BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Before the paragraph beginning at line 7 of page 4 insert the following:

A6 BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

**In the Amended Claims:**

Claim 3 has been amended as follows:

A7 3. A screw cap according to claim 1, characterized in that the sealing lip (19) protrudes beyond a peak of the spacer (31) at a height (h2) axially downwards to a height (h1).

Claim 6 has been amended as follows:

A8 6. A screw cap according to claim 1, characterized in that radially inside of the first spacer (31), a second spacer (35) is formed on the cap bottom.